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MEMORANDUM FOR : Chief, Materiel Branch, Development Projects Division

SUBJECT : Current U-2 Inventory

REFERENCE : Memorandum for DD/P from AC/DPD, dated 30 January 1961;
Subject: "Proposed Inclusion of IDEALIST Aircraft in
Schedule of Agency Owned and Controlled Aircraft"
(IDEA-0149)

1. Mr. Bissell has concurred in the recommendation I made in the referenced document that the status figures on U-2 aircraft not be included in the annual inventory paper which is prepared by the Comptroller for use in briefing Congressional Committees during Budget hearings.

2. However, on the other side of this coin, we have agreed to make these figures available on an EYES ONLY basis to the Comptroller for his retention in the event that properly cleared personnel mentioned in paragraph 3 of the reference wish to know them. Accordingly, I would ask that you prepare such an inventory giving numbers and location of aircraft, as well as type, i.e., U-2 or U-2C, in a memorandum for my signature to the Comptroller of the Agency, Attention: [REDACTED] Chief, Budget Division, EYES ALONE. I would appreciate if you could have this memorandum completed by Wednesday, 8 February 1961.

SIGNED

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CURRENT AND PROPOSED OPERATIONS

| OPERATION | AREA | DATE | APPROVAL STATUS USAF - AGENCY/STATE | |
|--|------------|------------------|--|-----------------|
| <u>1. IDEALIST</u> | | | | |
| 25X1A a. [REDACTED] | Indochina | Dec-Feb | Approved | Approved |
| <u>2. CORONA</u> | | | | |
| a. 9015 | | 3 March 1961 | N/R | Pending |
| <u>3. ARGON</u> | | | | |
| a. 9014A | | 10 February 1961 | N/R | N/R |
| <u>4. AIR SUPPORT</u> | | | | |
| 25X1A a. [REDACTED] - contingency plan | Iran | Continuing basis | Not presented | Approved-Agency |
| b. [REDACTED] contingency plan | Cuba | Continuing basis | N/R | Approved |
| c. [REDACTED] | China | February 1961 | N/R | Pending |
| d. [REDACTED] lift support | Laos | Continuing basis | N/R | Approved |
| 25X1A e. [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | Pending | N/R | Pending |
| 25X1A [REDACTED] | [REDACTED] | February 1961 | Approved | Approved |

OPERATIONS BRANCH

COMPLETED OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD 29 JANUARY -
4 FEBRUARY

IDEALIST

25X1A

25X1A

1. [REDACTED] Ferry Mission [REDACTED] - Det H) completed
4 February.

25X1A

1. One C-54 "black" flight to Cuba - 2 February
2. One B-26 "black" flight to Cuba - 3 February

25X1A

1. Three C-54 "black" flights to Guatemala - 31 January
2. Three C-54 "black" flights to Guatemala - 2 February
3. Two C-54 "black" flights to Guatemala - 4 February

PROPOSED OPERATIONS FOR PERIOD 5 - 11 FEBRUARY

IDEALIST

25X1A

25X1A

1. Two [REDACTED] Ferry flights [REDACTED]
6 February

25X1A

1. Five C-54 "black" flights to Guatemala - 6-12 February
2. One C-54 flight McChord AFB to Kelly AFB to Eglin AFB -
6 February